

COASTAL AMERICA AWARDS PROGRAM

*recognizing outstanding efforts to protect,
preserve and restore coastal resources and to
increase public awareness and education*



P. Lynn Scarlett, Assistant Secretary of Interior for Policy, Management and Budget, presents a Partnership Award to the San Jacinto Marsh & Interpretive Trail Team.

Partnership Awards

*recognize outstanding Coastal America
partnership efforts and/or multi-agency projects.*

Spirit Awards

*recognize outstanding partnership efforts that
demonstrate the "spirit" of Coastal America.*

Criteria:

- At least one (1) federal agency partner, as well as one (1) non-federal entity must be involved in the project.
- The project must clearly demonstrate the “value-added” of the partnership effort.
- The project should demonstrate an innovative or unique way of accomplishing stated goals and objectives with positive environmental results.
- The project must demonstrate a contribution to the Coastal America objectives: (1) to protect, preserve and restore the Nation’s coastal resources; and/or (2) to increase public awareness and education.

Nominations:

Nominations should be submitted using the nomination form available on Coastal America’s website (www.coastalamerica.gov/text/awards.html) or by submitting a written nomination (three (3) pages maximum, 12 point font, single spaced) addressing the following questions.

1. What is the name of the nominated team?
2. Identify the team leader, team members, and their agency affiliation. Provide all contact information, including mail, phone, fax and email addresses.
3. How did the team demonstrate the “value added” of a partnership effort? (e.g., how did the project or process accomplish what a single agency alone could not?)
4. Describe the project or process you are nominating and how it is creative or innovative.
5. What are the most significant achievements and outcomes of the project or process?
6. Explain how the project or process contributes to Coastal America’s mission to protect, preserve, and restore coastal resources.
7. Has the project been endorsed by a Coastal America regional team?
8. Nominator should provide name, contact information, and date nomination.



Donald Schregardus, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Navy, presents a Spirit Award to Atlantic Wood Industries and Paradise Creek Teams.

Special Recognition Awards

*recognize non-federal organizations for their
demonstrated leadership in establishing
partnerships.*



Timothy R.E. Keeney, Deputy Undersecretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, presents a Special Recognition Award to the National Aquarium in Baltimore.

Criteria:

- A non-federal organization must have made a significant or innovative contribution to coastal restoration, preservation, protection, and/or to increase public awareness and education.
- The organization may be a member of a nominated partnership or spirit award team.

Nominations:

Nominations should be submitted using the nomination form available on Coastal America’s website (www.coastalamerica.gov/text/awards.html) or by submitting a written nomination (two (2) pages maximum, 12 point font, single spaced) addressing the following questions.

1. What is the name of the nominated organization?
2. Explain how the organization demonstrated leadership in establishing partnerships.
3. Describe how the organization’s leadership efforts contribute to Coastal America’s mission to protect, preserve, and restore Coastal Resources.
4. Nominator should include name, contact information, and date nomination.

Selection ~

- The Coastal America National Implementation Team (NIT) and Regional Implementation Teams (RITs) will review nominations. Nominators are encouraged to inform your area RIT Chair of your submission. Chairs listed at: <http://www.coastalamerica.gov/text/rit.html>.
- The Coastal America Principals Group will make the final determination of the annual recipients of the Coastal America Awards.
- The Coastal America National Coordinating Office will notify all nominees and award winners by July 31, 2005. Coastal America will work with award winners to schedule ceremonies, as appropriate, at regional locations.



James L. Connaughton, Chairman of the White House Council on Environmental Quality, and Vice Admiral Conrad C. Lautenbacher, NOAA Administrator, present a Partnership Award to the Skagit River Basin Group.



"My Administration strongly supports such efforts to bring together collective resources to meet common goals and address challenging environmental needs."

*— George W. Bush
(excerpt from
Partnership Award Letter)*

Nominations Due By:
May 2, 2005

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